

Table 3-37. Ecological Priority habitat-species opportunities within the Central Sand Plains

Community Group	Natural Communities that are Major Opportunities in the Central Sand Plains Ecological Landscape	Species of Greatest Conservation Need determined to be high priority based on their Community-Landscape combination scores	
Northern Forest	Northern Wet Forest	Birds (4) Veery Golden-winged Warbler Connecticut Warbler Canada Warbler	Herptiles (3) Four-toed Salamander Pickerel Frog Wood Turtle Mammals (5) Water Shrew Silver-haired Bat Eastern Red Bat Hoary Bat Gray Wolf
Southern Forest	Central Sands Pine – Oak Forest	Birds (2) Whip-poor-will Red-headed Woodpecker Herptiles (2) Ring-neck Snake Bullsnake	Mammals (5) Northern Long-eared Bat Silver-haired Bat Eastern Red Bat Hoary Bat Gray Wolf
	Floodplain Forest	Birds (13) Blue-winged Teal Red-shouldered Hawk Solitary Sandpiper Black-billed Cuckoo Yellow-billed Cuckoo Red-headed Woodpecker Least Flycatcher Veery Wood Thrush Blue-winged Warbler Cerulean Warbler Prothonotary Warbler Rusty Blackbird	Herptiles (4) Four-toed Salamander Pickerel Frog Wood Turtle Blanding's Turtle Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake Mammals (6) Water Shrew Northern Long-eared Bat Silver-haired Bat Eastern Red Bat Hoary Bat Gray Wolf
	Southern Dry-Mesic Forest	Birds (9) Red-shouldered Hawk Yellow-billed Cuckoo Whip-poor-will Red-headed Woodpecker Veery Wood Thrush Blue-winged Warbler Cerulean Warbler Louisiana Waterthrush	Herptiles (4) Blanding's Turtle Yellow-bellied Racer Ring-neck Snake Bullsnake Mammals (3) Northern Long-eared Bat Eastern Red Bat Gray Wolf

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Southern Forest (cont.)	White Pine – Red Maple Swamp	Birds (4) Northern Goshawk Red-shouldered Hawk Veery Canada Warbler	Mammals (4) Northern Long-eared Bat Silver-haired Bat Eastern Red Bat Hoary Bat
Barrens	Oak Barrens	Birds (12) Northern Harrier Sharp-tailed Grouse Upland Sandpiper Black-billed Cuckoo Whip-poor-will Red-headed Woodpecker Brown Thrasher Field Sparrow Vesper Sparrow Lark Sparrow Grasshopper Sparrow Western Meadowlark	Herptiles (7) Wood Turtle Blanding's Turtle Western Slender Glass Lizard Yellow-bellied Racer Ring-neck Snake Bullsnake Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake Mammals (5) Northern Long-eared Bat Eastern Red Bat Franklin's Ground Squirrel Prairie Vole Gray Wolf
	Pine Barrens	Birds (11) Northern Harrier Sharp-tailed Grouse Upland Sandpiper Black-billed Cuckoo Whip-poor-will Brown Thrasher Connecticut Warbler Field Sparrow Vesper Sparrow Lark Sparrow Red Crossbill	Herptiles (6) Wood Turtle Blanding's Turtle Western Slender Glass Lizard Yellow-bellied Racer Bullsnake Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake Mammals (2) Franklin's Ground Squirrel Gray Wolf
Grassland	Sand Prairie	Birds (8) Upland Sandpiper Brown Thrasher Field Sparrow Vesper Sparrow Lark Sparrow Grasshopper Sparrow Eastern Meadowlark Western Meadowlark	Herptiles (7) Wood Turtle Blanding's Turtle Western Slender Glass Lizard Yellow-bellied Racer Ring-neck Snake Bullsnake Eastern Massasauga Mammals (3) White-tailed Jackrabbit Franklin's Ground Squirrel Prairie Vole

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Grassland (cont.)	Surrogate Grasslands	Birds (17) Blue-winged Teal Northern Harrier <i>Greater Prairie-Chicken</i> Sharp-tailed Grouse American Golden Plover Upland Sandpiper Short-eared Owl Willow Flycatcher Brown Thrasher Dickcissel Field Sparrow Grasshopper Sparrow Henslow's Sparrow Le Conte's Sparrow Bobolink Eastern Meadowlark Western Meadowlark	Mammals (3) <i>White-tailed Jackrabbit</i> Franklin's Ground Squirrel Prairie Vole
Wetland	Alder Thicket	Birds (6) American Woodcock Black-billed Cuckoo Veery Golden-winged Warbler Canada Warbler Rusty Blackbird	Herptiles (5) Four-toed Salamander Pickerel Frog Wood Turtle Blanding's Turtle Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake Mammals (6) Water Shrew Northern Long-eared Bat Silver-haired Bat Eastern Red Bat Hoary Bat Gray Wolf
	Northern Sedge Meadow	Birds (12) American Bittern Blue-winged Teal Northern Harrier <i>Greater Prairie-Chicken</i> Sharp-tailed Grouse Yellow Rail Whooping Crane <i>Wilson's Phalarope</i> Black Tern Short-eared Owl Le Conte's Sparrow Bobolink	Herptiles (4) Four-toed Salamander Pickerel Frog Wood Turtle Blanding's Turtle Mammals (4) Northern Long-eared Bat Silver-haired Bat Eastern Red Bat Hoary Bat

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Wetland (cont.)	Open Bog	Birds (11) American Bittern Northern Harrier Yellow Rail Whooping Crane Solitary Sandpiper Golden-winged Warbler Connecticut Warbler Henslow's Sparrow Le Conte's Sparrow Bobolink Rusty Blackbird	Herptiles (3) Four-toed Salamander Pickerel Frog Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake Mammals (5) Northern Long-eared Bat Silver-haired Bat Eastern Red Bat Hoary Bat Gray Wolf
	Shrub Carr	Birds (9) American Woodcock Black-billed Cuckoo Yellow-billed Cuckoo Short-eared Owl Willow Flycatcher Veery Blue-winged Warbler Golden-winged Warbler Rusty Blackbird	Herptiles (5) Four-toed Salamander Pickerel Frog Wood Turtle Blanding's Turtle Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake Mammals (5) Northern Long-eared Bat Silver-haired Bat Eastern Red Bat Hoary Bat Gray Wolf
Aquatic	Impoundments/Reservoirs	Birds (10) Trumpeter Swan Blue-winged Teal Canvasback Lesser Scaup Osprey Bald Eagle American Golden Plover Dunlin Short-billed Dowitcher Black Tern	Fish (1) Lake Sturgeon Herptiles (3) Mudpuppy Pickerel Frog Blanding's Turtle
Miscellaneous Communities	Dry Cliff	Herptiles (2) Yellow-bellied Racer Bullsnake	